

## **HOME SCHOOL PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES**

1. Students may participate in either the Middle School Division (grades 6-9) or Senior High Division (grades 9-12) on a team that has membership in the National Science Olympiad.
2. Home schools may combine students to form one team if total enrollment of the combined home schools would not be greater than 300 students.
3. A ninth grade aged child may compete on either a middle division or a senior high division team but not both. The child's age will determine in which Division the child is eligible for competition. A child's grade level equivalency will be determined by birth date. The child's grade level will be considered the same as the majority of other children of the same age level.
4. Middle School Division teams may have a maximum of five ninth grade students. Senior High teams may have a maximum of seven twelfth grade students.
5. If a home schooled student is also affiliated with any public or nonpublic school, the student may ONLY participate on one team and must choose between the home schooled team and the public or nonpublic team. Public or nonpublic schools may have rules eliminating the participation of part time students.